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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1903.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Farewell, 1903.

Special city election Tuesday next.

To-morrow taxes become delinquent.

Have you made all your good resolutions?

The public schools resume work next Monday.

The mud has been in evidence the past week.

Leap Year entertainments will soon be in order.

After the blizzard Sunday was almost a perfect day.

There was considerable boozing about Christmas day.

Will you watch the old year out and the New Year in?

Let us hope that 1904 will bring health and prosperity to us all.

A great many former residents of the Valley were here Christmas.

The Iron County Bank will not be open for business New Year's Day.

Miss Ruth Gay has a position as saleslady in the Clark & Baldwin store.

The entertainment for the benefit of the Fire Department will be given later.

Hunting rabbits is most of the fun that the man with a gun has these days.

"Gone where the woodbine twined"—the slot machine and the cigar game.

We have had an unusually lot of cold weather so far this season and still no ice.

Many a house plant was nipped by the unexpected blizzard that came Friday night.

Alex. Miley, late of Reynolds county, has located in Ironton for the practice of law.

The trust has seen fit to advance the price of coal oil in Ironton to twenty-five cents retail.

There is a prospect, we are told, of a large strawberry patch being planted near here next spring.

KINDLING WOOD FOR SALE—One dollar a load, delivered. Apply at the Screen Door Factory, phone 67.

L. C. Chambers intends opening a "bucket shop" in Fredericktown shortly after the first of the year.

Still we have no better train service. It seems to us that it is time for our people to take action.

It will not be so very long now until the local candidate will begin to tell the dear people of his ambition.

Our good friend, Dr. R. T. Minor, mails us a Christmas greeting from Charlottesville, Virginia, where he is enjoying the Yuletide.

It is the intention, we are informed, to extend the local telephone line to Graniteville just as soon as the winter is over.

The Baptist Sunday School had an in-door picnic at the Academy of Music Tuesday evening. The occasion was greatly enjoyed by all.

Turkeys were scarce last week and nearly all needed for home consumption. There were but few turkeys shipped from here to St. Louis.

In our opinion there would be more good in prohibiting the shooting matches—shooting at live fowls—than stopping the slot machines.

The screen factory Christmas day received a car load of lumber that had been just one month and nine days coming from some place in Louisiana.

Chas. Schleuter was arrested Christmas day on the charge of drunkenness. He had a trial before the Mayor next day who fined him one dollar and costs.

Mr. B. B. Reagan, who has spent the greater portion of the year at Grandin, looking after some iron mines, has returned to Ironton and will spend the winter here.

Louis Miller in Arcadia intends enlarging his grocery and hardware stock in Arcadia to a complete stock of general merchandise. The change will be made soon.

Word has been received announcing the serious illness, at his home near Tuckerman, Arkansas, of Mr. Thos. Jones. We hope to hear of an improvement in his condition.

Andrew Sherrill of Graniteville became rather hilarious while in town Christmas eve and was locked up over night. Next morning he paid fine and costs and was released.

The express service has been bad for months but it was "rotten!" Christmas week. Nearly everything was carried by and lots of Christmas presents have not yet showed up.

The deer are reported fairly numerous this year, but few have been killed, notwithstanding the hunters have been plentiful. The time for hunting deer expires January 1st.

The majority for local option in Wayne county was 225. The majority against local option in Butler county was over 1200. But county has the saloons and the whiskey and the revenue; Wayne county has the whiskey without the revenue, and the saloons.

NOTICE—The members of Iron Lodge, No. 107, I. O. O. F., are requested to be present next Monday night, as it will be installation night. If there is a full house there will be a surprise.

Several parties are now looking over the Valley with a view to locating a commercial fruit orchard. In fact, some 400 acres or more are already purchased, and the venture is an established fact.

A mule buyer happened in town a few days ago but found few mules in the community for sale and left town without making any purchases. He said the mule was a scarce article these days.

The track men on the railroad have organized a local lodge and hold regular meetings in the I. O. O. F. building. The section men, it is said, will soon ask for an increase in pay to \$1.50 per day.

Circuit Clerk Hawkins was called to Fredericktown Christmas day to attend the funeral of his grandfather, J. N. P. Russell, who died in St. Louis the day before Christmas at the age of eighty-seven years.

Henry Richter and Val. Effinger got into a racket at the latter's saloon in Pilot Knob Christmas eve. Effinger hit Richter over the head with a club and Richter shot at Effinger but the bullet sped wide of its mark.

Mr. Shattuck will shortly be succeeded as station agent here by a Mr. Burford, formerly agent at Annapolis. Mr. Shattuck has not yet determined whether he will again take the position of night operator here or not.

W. T. Donnelly, formerly trainmaster on the Iron Mountain at De Soto, is now chief dispatcher on the Valley Division at Chester, Illinois. Mr. Donnelly's many friends on the Missouri Division wish him every success in his new field.

Chas. A. Charlton, chief clerk at large of the Mail Service of the Seventh Division, was here last Thursday looking after the matter of carrying the mail to and from the station. Mr. Charlton seemed to think the matter would be straightened out soon.

Mrs. W. J. Smith, of Ironton, passed through this city the first of the week en route to her father's, west of Gatewood, to spend Christmas. Her husband is proprietor and manager of the Arcadia Valley Sanitarium of Osteopathy at Ironton. —Doniphan Prospect-News.

The Bell telephone people constructing the through line, are now just about four miles north of Belleview. The present survey follows the railroad from Hogan to Vulcan, then leaves Des Arc about one mile and a half to the east touching the railroad again at Gads Hill.

The little seven-year-old daughter of Mr. S. F. Dennison, of Pilot Knob, was rather badly bitten by a dog in the north end of Ironton, Tuesday morning, as she was walking along the street. Such dogs should not be allowed the liberty of the streets, and when they are found running about they should be promptly killed.

The entertainment at the Academy of Music last Thursday evening for the benefit of the school library was not largely attended, owing, probably, to the fact that people had other matters to attend to Christmas eve. The programme, however, was a good one and the entertainment was generally praised and complimented.

We are informed that Henry Wallis of St. Louis county, who was here last week, has contracted for the purchase of four hundred acres of land near Ironton, which he proposes putting in fruit. It is said that a number of other sales will likely be made in the near future to other parties who contemplate trying fruit raising in this vicinity. These people should receive every encouragement from our citizens.

Henry Trammel filled up on whiskey Christmas day and insisted on taking a nap on the street. The Marshall wanted him to move and then he insisted. Henry showed fight and swore he would not go to jail. He was finally landed but it took the Marshal and a half-dozen men to put him there. Next day he was fined one dollar and costs. Not having the money to pay he is now doing time in the county bastille.

For marked changes in temperature the past week would be hard to eclipse. Until three o'clock in the afternoon Christmas was as mild and pleasant a day as one could ask for the season. Then it commenced to blow, to snow and to sleet and freeze, and in a few hours there was a change of almost forty degrees. It was cold all day Saturday, but Sunday dawned as fair and balmy a day as one ever saw in mid-winter. The changes were most remarkable.

The Recorder has issued the following marriage licenses since our last report: Frank Moore and Mrs. Isabel Thurman, both of Graniteville; Frank H. Mays, of St. Francois county, and Zelle Olive, of Madison county; Walter Miller and Cora M. Ivester, both of Iron county; Eliza Hale and Nellie Spitzmiller, both of Iron county; Lee O. Russell and Charity Warnke, both of Iron county; Clifford Jackson, of Madison county, and Lou E. Pinkley, of Iron county; Jasper N. Pyatt, of Dent county; and Elmer R. Stricklin, of Iron county; Chas. E. Hendon and Martha A. Robinson, both of Iron county; Ulyses Propst, of Iron county; and Zoe Bell Chalmers, of St. Louis; Gentry Seal and Daisy Falker, both of Iron county; T. H. Seal and Parle Varak, both of Iron county; Charles R. Manley, of Collinsville, Illinois, and Mamie Decker, of St. Francois county; Francis R. Short and Myrtle Cox, both of Iron county.

The editor gratefully acknowledges the receipt of several Xmas gifts—tokens of good-will from those whose friendship he cherishes and hopes to retain through the vicissitudes of years and the mutations of life. Among the presents are articles useful as well as ornamental and beautiful. To Wm. H. Thomson, Esq., to Miss May, to J. Lopez, Esq., to Sergeant Reese, to Miss Hattie M. Brown—to one and all, I return the good wishes and respectful consideration of a "poor country editor." Health and happiness to them!

It is announced in railroad circles that all crews will be brought back to De Soto and run from this point. This is certainly gratifying to the business men and citizens of De Soto. The railroad company has tried several schemes in order to get over the grades of the Iron Mountain in the easiest possible manner, and we believe it is demonstrated now beyond a reasonable doubt that the old way of doing things is the best. If the business men of De Soto show the right spirit toward the railroad company by fixing up the town and making it a point of which the company can be proud, there is no doubt but what the company will do its part. It would not hurt the citizens to offer something in the way of a new depot, this is done in many towns and is always appreciated by the company.

Jefferson Barracks has a new depot just completed, but we understand that it was put up entirely by the government and not by the railroad company, but the company appreciates it to the extent of fixing up the grounds around it and stopping all trains there, putting dispatchers and other accessories. —De Soto Republican.

Saturday night, 16th inst., "The Owls" congregated at the Log Cabin in Arcadia and gave a Farewell To-Whoo! to two of their members, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Wemp, who next day departed for their future home in Arkansas. The night was inclement and black as the ace of spades, but that did not prevent a full attendance.

There were present: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Schwab, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cain, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Wemp, Misses Blanche and Alma Fletcher, Messrs. F. W. Prentice, J. Lopez, and your humble servant. The mile between Ironton and Arcadia was rapidly traversed, and the distance the more shortly spanned with song and good humor. The contrast between the drear and darkness outside and the cheerful interior of the Cabin, warmed with old-fashioned chimney fire, and made brilliant with lights that shown from lamp and chandelier, was peculiarly grateful, and the reception accorded the rock by Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien and Miss Leah was so cheerful and hearty as to drive from the mind the unpleasantness of the elements outside.

At 9 o'clock the game—it was a Progressive Euchre contention—began, and for two hours the players devoted themselves exclusively to the business in hand. Then a luncheon was spread—Welsh rabbit, coffee, salads, nuts, fruits and cake—and never an Owl but testified his or her appreciation of the delicacies there set out, for all did eat and were refreshed. Then the prizes were adjudged; Mrs. Cain and Mr. Wemp carried off the honors, while the "boobies" were declared the right-ful and well-earned property of Mrs. Schwab and Mr. Cain. All had a delightful evening, and, if no formal vote of thanks was given the host and hostesses, 'twas not for lack of appreciation, but because the truest inner consciousness does not always have outward expression. And now I hope I may be pardoned a few words in conclusion concerning the members in whose honor the party was given. Mr. Wemp has been a resident of this town for fifteen years, and was employed as railway agent for nearly all that time. He goes to his new home bearing with him the esteem of all who know him, and he is widely known. The best wishes of the community follow him and his family, and good fortune to him will be envied by none. He is a "good boy," a good Democrat, and of course a worthy citizen.

The masque ball given by the band boys at the Academy of Music Monday night proved the most successful affair of the kind that has been given in the Valley for years. There were about fifty couples in attendance and from the time of the grand march until four o'clock next morning the dance went gaily on. The costumes embraced the beautiful, the sublime and the ridiculous. The peasant and the prince of every nation were represented and the scene was as a congress of the people of the world. The first prizes for best costumes were awarded to Mr. James Polk of Arcadia and Miss Annie Byers of Ironton. The prizes for funniest and most ridiculous attires were awarded to Valentine Effinger, Jr., of Pilot Knob and Miss Dora Blumel of Farmington. The supper, served by Mrs. Finnimore, was a most delicious and elegant one, and many were the praises showered on the hostess by the assembled guests. The occasion was a success, perfect and complete, and those having the affair in charge are certainly to be congratulated. Following is a partial list of those in attendance: Misses Anna Byers, Ironton, Spanish Dancer; Reva Ogsbury, Arcadia, Rose; Katharine Bethel, Arcadia, Twilight; Nettie Miller, Ironton, Queen of Diamonds; Meda Baldwin, Ironton, Ghost; Julia Gunton, Ironton, Nigger; Bessie McGowan, De Soto, Evergreen; Mildred Polk, Arcadia, Bat; Elsie Baldwin, Ironton, Ragged Women; Elvia Polk, Arcadia, Shirt Waist Girl; G. Orrick, Ironton, Girl in Red; Clara Hill, St. Louis, Society Lady; Dora Blumel, Farmington, Domino; Clara Madlinger, Pilot

Knob, Domino; Clara Giovanoni, Ironton, Domino; Mrs. John Petty, Ironton, Maid; Messrs. Jas. Polk, Arcadia, Prince; J. Brierton, Annapolis, Brakeman; Ed. Benson, Annapolis, Frog; P. Myers, Hogan, Indian; John Boyer, De Soto, Clown; F. P. Maness, Iron Mountain, Clown; Harry Semands, Arcadia, Ghost; Ed. Theobald, De Soto, Clown; C. C. Bowen, De Soto, Dress Suit; Val. Effinger, Jr., Pilot Knob, Tramp; Charley Meloy, Bismarck, Swell; Rolla Ketcham, Poplar Bluff, Millionaire; J. R. McFadden, Piedmont, Clown; Frank Sparks, Piedmont, Negro Dude; John Petty, Farmer; Jno. T. Baldwin, Jr., Hamlet; Will Patton, Nigger Sport; R. E. Zahniser, Indian; E. D. Shattuck, Old Tramp; C. P. Leff, Clown; W. H. Byers, Dago; Emil Roehry, Soldier; Harry Patton, Devil; Hartford Collins, Jr., Colored Boot Black. Among others present were: Mesdames H. M. Collins, Richard Snyder, Fred. Kindell, Jr., C. F. Hanson, A. Roehry, J. S. Riley, Joe Cox, Ironton; T. B. Carter, St. Louis; Misses Mabel Reyburn, Clara L. Hanson, Eva Marshall, Ada Marshall, Mayme Roehry, Mary Myers, Pattie Andrews, Eva, Riley, Bessie Gilliam, Adele Hanson, Maude Saltz, Ironton; Blanche Fletcher, Lena Fletcher, Gertie Mangold, Mate Austin, Florence Fletcher, Jessie Ogsbury, Arcadia; Lina Farr, Des Arc; Lizzie Galloway, Poplar Bluff; Alice Meloy, Bismarck; Mamie McKinney, Graniteville; Myrtle Workman, Portageville; Annie M. Austin, St. Louis; Maggie, Maud and Minnie Fisher, Ironton; Messrs. Emmet Gunton, Wm. J. Schwab, Claude Marshall, Fred Schultz, Arthur Nall, Fred Kindell, Jr., Richard Snyder, E. E. Cain, M. W. Daugherty, Godfrey O'Neal, Ironton; Sanford Andrews, Harry Semands, Dickson Fletcher, Arcadia; Joel Holloman, Hogan; Andy Blemel, St. Louis.

PERSONAL.

Miss Belle Mufley is home from St. Louis.

George Whitworth was home Christmas.

Eugene Winkler, of Poplar Bluff, is in town.

W. M. O'Neal, of Irondale, was here last week.

Andy Blemel was here from St. Louis Monday.

Willard Love spent Christmas with his parents.

Ed. Fairchild was home from De Soto last week.

Miss Leah O'Brien is visiting friends in Indiana.

Jos. Kerchner, of Graniteville, was a caller Monday.

Miss Mary Myers returned Sunday from Mississippi.

Commissioner O. J. Buford was in St. Louis Christmas.

Will Ahrens, of St. Louis, was in Ironton the past week.

Kipp Johnson came home from St. Louis for the holidays.

Coroner Clarkson was in Ironton from Annapolis Monday.

Mr. Frank Mullin spent Christmas with his parents in Iowa.

Frank Delano is spending the holidays with his grandmother.

Will Kendal and wife, of De Soto, were in Ironton last week.

Mrs. Frank Mullin is visiting friends in Blytheville, Arkansas.

Ed. Bumgardner, of St. Louis, visited his father here Christmas.

Miss Mabel Davis, of St. Louis, is visiting her parents in Ironton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bond and Franco are visiting relatives in St. Joseph, Mo.

Dr. James Martin, of the U. S. Navy visited his uncle here last week.

E. M. Logan, of Belleview, is confined to his room with pneumonia.

Julius Rodach, of St. Louis, spent Christmas with home folk at Middlebrook.

Ferd. Gilliam and wife, of St. Louis, spent Christmas with relatives in Arcadia.

Miss Clara Hill, of St. Louis, was the guest of relatives in Ironton the past week.

Miss Ruth Russell will return to Warrensburg Saturday, after a week's visit at home.

Dr. Bliss, of De Soto and Thos. Carter, of St. Louis, spent Christmas with Mr. Andrews.

Mrs. Della Kuehle and boy, of Murphysborough, Ills., are visiting relatives in Ironton.

C. Pannebaker and daughter, of Poplar Bluff, visited relatives in this county the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Johnson and daughter, of Vineland, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leff.

Miss Lizzie Galloway, of Poplar Bluff, visited in town this week, the guest of the Misses Marshall.

Miss Dora Blumel, of Farmington, was the guest of Miss Clara Giovanoni, a few days the past week.

Miss Clara Acomb's school in Sabula closed last week and she came home in time to enjoy Christmas.

Dr. and Mrs. Meredith and Miss Celia Martin, of St. Louis, and Miss Lucy Haley, of Fredericktown, were guests of W. T. Gay and family the past week.

Arcadia Items.

Mr. Burk and family are spending a few weeks at Dexter.

Miss Viola Gosney left Wednesday to spend several weeks with friends and relatives at St. Louis and St. Charles.

Misses Flavia and Mittie Polk attended the ball at De Soto.

B. H. Blanton and family returned home last week from a delightful visit to relatives and friends in Little Rock and Thornton, Ark.

STRAYED FROM THE RANGE—Two yearlings—one Steer and one Heifer—both red; marked with smooth crop of the right ear. Liberal reward will be paid for information leading to their recovery.

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My aerial ship arrived, but en route it became transformed into a new up-to-date delivery wagon, in charge of Fred Schach, who will take your orders for Meat, Groceries and Hardware, which will receive prompt attention and be duly appreciated by me. I do not ask you for all of your trade, but I would like a part of it, if I sell as cheap, and treat you as well, as other grocery merchants. So I kindly solicit you, one and all, for a share of your patronage.

LOUIS MILLER,
Prop'r Arcadia Valley Grocery Store, Arcadia, Mo.

Roselle Items.

We are enjoying nice, pleasant weather for this season of the year. Christmas has come and gone.

There was an entertainment and Xmas tree at Graniteview church Xmas eve, with a large attendance of both young and old, which bid fair to be an enjoyable occasion, until some of our boys, as well as others from a distance, came full of liquor and greatly disturbed the peace, which we deem a great shame to themselves, the community and their parents, by bringing such a disgrace upon the unblemished reputation of our neighborhood; and we can only hope that the law will have its full effect, in due time, upon such characters.

Gilbert Vance has returned from a visit to Thornton, Ark.

Fred Phillips and Walter Lowry have returned to Flat River, after having spent the holidays with home folks.

George Phillips has gone to Flat River to seek employment.

Messrs. Polk, Triple and Signer, of Marble Creek, visited friends and relatives in Roselle Sunday.

Wm. Tompson and family, of Paris, Texas, are visiting relatives in Roselle.

Wm. Ross and family have returned to their home at French Mills, after having spent the holidays with relatives here.

M. L. Henry and family visited relatives at Lance Christmas.

Arthur and John Brown, of Lance, visited friends in Roselle Xmas.

Messrs. John and Forny Tesrow, Lewis Ashlock and George Henson have gone to Seattle, Wash., to make their fortunes.

Wishing the many readers and our patient editor a Happy New Year, we remain, as ever,

SNOWFLAKE.

January Weather in Ironton.

The following data for the month of January have been compiled from the records kept by Mr. W. H. Delano, voluntary observer, U. S. Weather Bureau, at this place, and cover the period from 1879 to 1903, inclusive, except that for the years 1891, '92 and '93 only the total monthly precipitation is available:

The mean or normal temperature of January is 32 degrees. The warmest January was that of 1880, with an average of 47 degrees, and the coldest was that of 1886, with an average of 20 degrees. The highest temperature recorded during any January was 76 degrees, on the 11th, 1890, and the lowest, 23 degrees below zero, on the 5th, 1881. The average number of days with minimum temperature below 32 degrees is 22. The average precipitation for January is 2.89 inches, and the average number of days with .01 of an inch or more, 8. The greatest January precipitation recorded was 10.50 inches, in 1890, and the least, .50 inch, in 1893. The greatest amount recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 4.34 inches, on the 2-3d, 1897. The average snowfall for January is 4.3 inches, and the greatest monthly fall on record, 16.5 inches, in 1884. The average number of clear days is 10; partly cloudy days, 8; and cloudy days, 13. The prevailing winds have been from the north.

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